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METHOD FOR MAKING AN ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH

ELASTIC CUFF AREAS AND EXPANDABLE SUBSTRATES

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.56 and MPEP Section 2001.06(a), References AA-AE (Sheet 1 of 3), AN-AP (Sheet 2 of 3) and AL-AN (Sheet 3 of 3) listed on Form PTO-1449, were first cited in the International Search Report for the corresponding International Application, PCT/US 02/34182, and are hereby brought

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to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of the subject patent application.

The undersigned states that each reference was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in the above-referenced counterpart foreign application not more than three month prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

Reference AP (Sheet 2 of 3), i.e., 750 893, is a German language reference having possible relevance as being cited as an "X" reference against certain claims in the International Search Report of the PCT counterpart of the present application and dealing with absorbent article subject matter.

The remaining references are also brought to the attention of the Exaniner as being possibly material to examination of the subject patent application.

An English language version of the International Search Report, Form PCT/ISA/210, is enclosed with Form PTO-1449 (3 pages) and a copy of each and every cited reference.

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